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ABSTRACT

An apparatus for steering a motor vehicle that includes a steering control device which rotates on an axis and is designed for operation by an occupant of the vehicle. the apparatus includes a transmission mechanism for translating the rotational movement of the steering control device into a movement of an elongate steering element arranged outside the axis of rotation of the steering control device. The apparatus also includes an elongate mount which defines the axis of rotation of the steering control and which is fastened to a fixed structure of the motor vehicle. The mount is configured to be shortened or tilt downward in the event of an impact by a vehicle occupant against the steering control device.

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